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# S. CON. RES. 29

Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for concerts to be conducted  
by the National Symphony Orchestra.

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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 22, 1999

Mr. LOTT (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. McCONNELL, and Mr. DODD) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to

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## CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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to be conducted by the National Symphony Orchestra.

1       *Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives*  
2       *concurring),*

3       **SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION OF NATIONAL SYMPHONY OR-**  
4       **CHESTRA CONCERTS ON CAPITOL GROUNDS.**

5       The National Park Service (in this resolution referred  
6 to as the “sponsor”) may during each of calendar years  
7 1999 and 2000 sponsor a series of three concerts by the  
8 National Symphony Orchestra (in this resolution each  
9 concert referred to as an “event”) on the Capitol Grounds.  
10 Such concerts shall be held on Memorial Day, 4th of July,

1 and Labor Day of each such calendar year, or on such  
 2 alternate dates during that calendar year as the Speaker  
 3 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on  
 4 Rules and Administration of the Senate may jointly des-  
 5 ignate.

6 **SEC. 2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Under conditions to be prescribed  
 8 by the Architect of the Capitol and the Capitol Police  
 9 Board, each event authorized by section 1—

10 (1) shall be free of admission charge and open  
 11 to the public, with no preferential seating except for  
 12 security purposes as determined in accordance with  
 13 section 4, and

14 (2) shall be arranged not to interfere with the  
 15 needs of Congress.

16 (b) EXPENSES AND LIABILITIES.—The sponsor shall  
 17 assume full responsibility for all expenses and liabilities  
 18 incident to all activities associated with each event.

19 (c) AUDITS.—Pursuant to section 451 of the Legisla-  
 20 tive Reorganization Act of 1970 (40 U.S.C. 193m–l), the  
 21 Comptroller General of the United States shall perform  
 22 an annual audit of the events for each of calendar years  
 23 1999 and 2000 and provide a report on each audit to the  
 24 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Chair-  
 25 man of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administra-

tion not later than December 15 of the calendar year for which the audit was performed.

**SEC. 3. STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT; BROADCASTING; SCHEDULING; OTHER ARRANGEMENTS.**

(a) STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT.—Subject to the approval of the Architect of the Capitol, the sponsor may erect upon the Capitol Grounds such stage, sound amplification devices, and other related structures and equipment as may be required for each event.

(b) BROADCASTING OF CONCERTS.—Subject to the restrictions contained in section 4, the concerts held on Memorial Day and 4th of July (or their alternate dates) may be broadcast over radio, television, and other media outlets.

(c) SCHEDULING.—In order to permit the setting up and taking down of structures and equipment and the conducting of dress rehearsals, the Architect of the Capitol may permit the sponsor to use the West Central Front of the United States Capitol for each event for not more than—

(1) six days if the concert is televised, and

(2) four days if the concert is not televised.

The Architect may not schedule any use under this subsection if it would interfere with any concert to be performed by a military band of the United States.

1 (d) ADDITIONAL ARRANGEMENTS.—The Architect of  
 2 the Capitol and the Capitol Police Board are authorized  
 3 to make any such additional arrangements as may be re-  
 4 quired to carry out each event.

5 **SEC. 4. ENFORCEMENT OF RESTRICTIONS.**

6 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Capitol Police Board shall for  
 7 each event—

8 (1) provide for all security related needs, and

9 (2) provide for enforcement of the restrictions  
 10 contained in section 4 of the Act of July 31, 1946  
 11 (40 U.S.C. 193d; 60 Stat. 718), concerning sales,  
 12 displays, advertisements, and solicitations on the  
 13 Capitol Grounds, as well as other restrictions appli-  
 14 cable to the Capitol Grounds.

15 (b) EXCEPTION FOR CREDIT TO SPONSORS.—Not-  
 16 withstanding subsection (a), credits may be appropriately  
 17 given to private sponsors of an event at the conclusion of  
 18 any broadcast of the event.

19 (c) ENFORCEMENT.—The Architect of the Capitol  
 20 and the Capitol Police Board shall enter into an agree-  
 21 ment with the sponsor, and such other persons partici-  
 22 pating in an event as the Architect of the Capitol and the  
 23 Capitol Police Board considers appropriate, under which  
 24 the sponsor and such persons agree to comply with the  
 25 requirements of this section. The agreement shall specifi-

- 1 cally prohibit the use for a commercial purpose of any pho-
- 2 tograph taken at, or broadcast production of, the event.

